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## **Old Waco Road Construction Complete**

### **\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

TEMPLE, TX - (March 22, 2016) Old Waco Road from Adams Avenue to Brandon Dr. is now open to through traffic. The travel and bike lanes have been paved and lane markings have been applied. The next stage of construction will consist of pouring 10 foot sidewalks on each side of the road for pedestrian use and the installation of signage and landscaping. “We would like to thank the traveling public for their continued patience on this project”, says Shannon Gowan, director of communications. “This is the next step in the long term plan to extend Old Waco Road further south to address even further transportation and connectivity needs across the region. The City of Temple has worked for many years on improving the transportation network. We are currently in year four of the ten year Transportation Capital Improvement Program (TCIP), with much more activity to come.

A public meeting to discuss current and future Outer Loop construction is in the process of being scheduled. A date and time will be announced as soon as it is confirmed. In May, City officials will be out in the community to provide a broader outlook on transportation projects across the city.

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

TEMPLE, TX - (March 3, 2016) Construction activity continues to progress on Old Waco Road from Adams Avenue to Brandon Dr. After recent project team meetings, it has been determined that the contractor will now open the road utilizing a permanent asphalt surface in place of a temporary drivable surface. This updated plan will allow for a smooth clean permanent driving surface. This will be the first of two coats, with the last coat to be applied near the end of the project. The surface previously identified for use consisted of a chip seal, which is an oil and rock (chips) surface. "Chip seal can potentially leave oil residue on vehicles and is just, in general, a messier process for drivers to have to deal with," states City Spokeswoman Shannon Gowan. "The team feels that this will have less impact to drivers and will be a much nicer surface to drive over."

Pending no weather delays, the team projects to have the road open to thru traffic on Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **City of Temple Announces Old Waco Road Closure/Detour**

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

TEMPLE, TX - (February 25, 2016) Construction activity continues on Old Waco Road from Adams Avenue to Brandon Dr. We are still on schedule, pending no weather delays, to have the road open to thru traffic the first full week of March. On Monday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, crews will be performing a water main tie in on the project. This tie in includes the replacement of a portion of the 24" water transmission main. The City will have a reduced capacity to supply water to the system, and as a result, customers in the western portion of the City of Temple may experience a reduction in water pressure during the hours of 6 A.M. Monday morning until 6 A.M. Tuesday. Shannon Gowan, director of communications, requests that customers in that area refrain from any non-critical water use during this time. Should you experience any water issues during this time, please contact dispatch at 254.298.5611.

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

TEMPLE, TX - (January 29, 2016) Construction activity continues on Old Waco Road from Adams Avenue to Brandon Dr. Pending no weather delays, the project team advises that Old Waco Road will be open to traffic the first week of March. While travelers will have a seal-coated surface to drive on, there will continue to be construction work occurring along the project with will necessitate some single lane closures. The overall work currently under construction will be complete by the end of May 2016.

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

TEMPLE, TX - (August 12, 2015) Old Waco Road from Adams Avenue to Brandon Drive was closed to traffic beginning on June 8, 2015, for reconstruction and widening of the road. The duration of the closure was estimated at 60 days, however, the relocation of private utilities has delayed some of the construction that the City's contractor can perform. Subsequent to the relocation of the private utilities, our contractor will need approximately 45-60 days to complete work and open the road to the public.

Until the road is open, local traffic will continue to be detoured through Meadowbrook Drive and Brandon Drive. Throughout the road closure, Meadowbrook Drive at Adams Drive will continue to be restricted to right turn only.

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TEMPLE, TX, - (May 29, 2015) Old Waco Road from Adams Avenue to Brandon Drive will be closed to thru traffic beginning on June 8, 2015, for approximately 60 days during reconstruction and widening of the road. Local traffic will be detoured through Meadowbrook Drive and Brandon Drive. Beginning June 1, 2015, and throughout the road closure Meadowbrook Drive at Adams Avenue will be restricted to right turn only. Please direct inquiries to the City of Temple Engineering Department at 254-298-5660 or [Engineering@templetx.gov](mailto:Engineering@templetx.gov).

See below for map of the area.

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